THE

SOUTH-CAROLINA GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtick.

Monday, *January* 26th, 1747. [*Numb.* 667.]

The Remainder of AGRICULTOR's Letter, which was begun in our laſt.

IN this Condition it ſtands, ſometimes a longer ſometimes a ſhorter Time, before the Digeſtion is compleated, according to the Weather and the State of the Plant; there are however ſeveral Marks and Indications by which to know when it is; as, the Change of the Colour of the Liquor, the Redneſs of the Stalks at the Ends where they were cut off from the ſtanding Stems, and the yellowiſh ſodden-like State of the Leaves; but the moſt certain (in my Opinion) is the abating of the Fermentation, and Fall of the Liquor ſucceeding it. The Fermentation arrives ſooner or later to its Criſis, according to the Degree of Heat aſſiſtant to it; for, a certain Quantity of Fermentation being neceſſary for a proper Solution of the Plant, by how much that is more or leſs violent, by ſo much quicker or ſlower will that Complement be perfected, which is the Reaſon that it takes ſometimes but 20 Hours, and ſometimes double that Time, to raiſe it to a Criſis; the Momentum of Time being to the leſſer Degree of Heat, as the Complement of Fermentation is to the greater. When the Proceſs is finiſhed in 20 Hours (which is the ſhorteſt Time that came within my Notice) then the Fermentation is very violent, and raiſes the Liquor ſeveral Inches in the Steeper; but when it takes 40 Hours and upwards (which it will do in the colder Seaſons) it is then ſo weak as ſcarcely to be perceived, and raiſes the Liquor proportionably leſs. Preſſing the Plant down in the Steeper at ſuch cold Times, that a leſs Quantity of Water may cover it and ſo a greater Proportion of internal Heat be preſerved, aſſiſts the Fermentation conſiderably. The Fall of the Liquor in the Steeper ſhould not be let to exceed half an Inch when the Fermentation riſes to the higheſt Pitch, and proportionably in a leſs Elevation; whenever this Fall is obſerved, I dare venture to ſay the Plant is fully ſteep'd and diſcharged of all its *Indigo* Particles, and then is the beſt Time to let it off into the Battery for beating. The letting it off before this, leſſens the Quantity of *Indigo*, as ſome of the Particles remain ſtill in the Plant undiſcharged, and alſo occaſions more Labour and longer beating to produce it. The ſuffering it to ſteep longer encreaſes indeed the Quantity, as other groſs extraneous Particles are thereby ſeparated from the Plant together with thoſe of *Indigo* and mixed with them, but then it impairs and hurts the Quality of it. As this is a very material Article in the making of *Indigo*, I have been more explicit and dwelt the longer upon it.

Whenever the Liquor has done running from the Steeper into the Battery, it ſhould be beaten without Delay, firſt laying the Froth and keeping it conſtantly down as it riſes with Oyl, ſprinkling it over it with a Feather or ſome ſuch Thing. The Beating ſhould be as brisk as can be, as well to keep up the Heat that was generated by the Fermentation in the Steeper, as to beget as much more as poſſible, which *Quick beating* greatly contributes to: For Heat is the grand Agent, the *ſine qua non*, in the whole Proceſs of *Indigo*. There is no certain Rule as to the Time or how long of beating; That, like the Steeping, depending in a good Meaſure upon the Weather, &c. The Criſis however may be known, firſt, by a Change of the Liquor into a purpleiſh high Mazarine Tincture; but chiefly by the *Indigo* Particles either gradually ſeparating from the mixt Liquor, firſt in light, flabby and flattiſh Forms floating about in it, which by Degrees, as the beating is continued, grow more and more globular, bright, diſtinct and ſolid, 'till they ſubſide of themſelves, leaving the ſuperior Liquor of the Colour of clear weak Bohea Tea; or, by their gathering together and ſubſiding in ſmaller, yet minute and ſcarce perceivable little Faculæ or Particles; and ſometimes, in a thick dark coloured Body, ſomething like Ink, without any viſible Appearance of any diſtinct Particles at all, but yet leaving the reſt of the Liquor coloured as above. The Trial is to be made, by putting ſome of the Liquor as it is a beating into any ſmall Cup or Veſſel capable of reflecting the Light clearly and made riſing with a gradual Rounding to the middle, and ſhould be begun as ſoon as the Liquor begins to change its Colour, and repeated very frequently as the above Indications and Marks appear and encreaſe. When the Particles form, grow ſolid, and ſubſide diſtinctly of themſelves (which takes from an Hour and half's beating to three, and ſometimes more to bring them to) there is nothing to do, but accurately to obſerve by the Eſſay-Cup when they do ſo moſt; when they are moſt numerous; and when the reſt of the Liquor is at the greateſt Clearneſs; and *This* is the critical Moment ſo much talked and ſo much made a Miſtery of; here leave of beating, and let it ſtand to ſettle. The beating more will diſſolve the Particles and mix them again with the reſt of the Liquor; in which Caſe, as likewiſe when they cannot be brought to appear viſibly and form diſtinctly by beating (as frequently happens in raw, damp, and colder Seaſons, if we were to beat ever ſo long) in both theſe Caſes I ſay, Lime Water, or ſomething analogous to it, muſt be called in to our Aſſiſtance (after a briſk beating of 4 Hours, or 5 at moſt, for all beyond that I take to be Labour loſt) and thrown in, until the Particles are thereby forced to appear, form, and ſubſide diſtinctly; which will take ſometimes leſs ſometimes more, but, take what it will, ſo much muſt be put in as will effect this, or the *Indigo* be loſt. It takes generally from 4 to 12 Hours to ſettle after beating, according as the Liquor is more or leſs perfectly diſcharged of all the *Indigo* Particles, and they brought, more or leſs, to ſubſide diſtinctly. After it is thoroughly ſettled, the ſuperior Liquor looks of the Colour of brown Beer or ſtrong Bohea Tea, and then is the Water to be let gradually off; when it is all run off, and nothing remains in the Battery but the Fæces or ſubſided *Indigo*; That may be either let off into a Settler (which I think beſt) or put into Bags out of the Battery. As it is bagg'd, hang the Bags up to drain in the Shade, otherwiſe the Sun will cruſt the *Indigo* to the emptied Parts of the Bags, which both hurts the *Indigo* and rots the Bags. When they have done dripping, which is in from 20 to 30 Hours, according to the Weather, empty them into Boxes of two Feet and half long, one Foot wide, and two Inches and half deep, which place in the Sun a-Days, and under ſome Cover from the Dew a Nights; frequently ſtirring and working it up with a Trowel, and filling up the Boxes out of one another as the *Indigo* dryes and ſhrinks, 'till it is ſo hard that it can bear being cut into ſquare Pieces of about two Inches, which ſhould be then done and frequently turn'd upſide down, filling up the Cracks in the Pieces and ſmoothing them to keep them as compact as poſſible. When the *Indigo* is become ſo dry that it can be handled without ſticking to the Fingers, then it ſhould be removed into an open Shade, where it may have the Advantage of all the Air to dry it, without the immediate Rays of the Sun upon it, too much of which impairs its Colour, ſtill turning the ſeveral Pieces 'till they are pretty dry; then take them out of the Boxes and place them one by one on Shelves in a Houſe; and there let them ſtand until they are dry enough to put up into Barrels, which ſhould be done before the *Indigo* is perfectly dry, and the longer it lies in them, the better and more beautiful it looks.

The longer the ſteeping Water has ſtood in the Sun, and the ſofter and more mellow it is, the better it is.

The Vats ſhould be built with their Inclinations towards the South, in order to be both more fully expoſed to the benign Influence

fluence of the Sun and better sheltered from the North Winds.

To prevent the bad Effects of heavy Rain falling into the Steeper during the Fermentation, and into the Battery while beating or the *Indigo* is settling, especially in the colder autumnal Seasons, I apprehend moveable Covers would be very necessary. 7th *Jan.* 1746 7.

AGRICULTOR.

We return our Thanks to *Agricultor*, for communicating, thro' this Paper, to the Publick, the foregoing Directions upon the Culture and Manufacture of the valuable Plant *INDIGO*, from the Success of which we have all such sanguine Expectations of retrieving the *former good Times* of the industrious Planter; and altho' the *Indigo* that was made last Year did not meet with that *ready* and *good* Market in *Charles-Town* which might have been expected, yet we hope that will prove no real Discouragement to the Planter to try it another Year at least, in which Time the Merchants, and Planters also, will have full Accounts from *England* of its real Value there, and in which it is not doubted the Merchants will make their Returns upon a Par with the Course of Exchange, and from thence be able to give the Planter at least 20 *s.* a Pound for it: And as the Planter has now such plain and easy Directions thro' the whole Process, every Person who has Conveniencies and Opportunities of making *Indigo*, will (it is humbly conceived) be inexcusable to his own Interests if he does not attempt it. A.

GENOA, October 16

THE Arrival of Count *Christeni* here, though born a Native of this Republick, alarm'd us exceedingly; it was known that he brought the last Resolutions of the Court of *Vienna*; and as the very Being of this Republick depended on the Nature of those Resolutions, it may be easily apprehended into what a Consternation we were thrown by his Presence, more especially after it appear'd, that his Commission was to remain a Secret to all but the Senators. This Morning, however, we are deliver'd from our Terrors, since we are assur'd, that the Empress Queen by marching her Forces into our Country, intended no more than to expel her Enemies from thence; that so far from subverting, she means to become the Protector of this State, and instead of depriving us of *Corsica*, is resolv'd to secure us more effectually the Dominion of that Island, and will even grant her Interposition with his *Sardinian* Majesty. This News has made us all *Austrians* to a Man, and we begin to consider Count *Botta* as our Friend and Deliverer.

CHARLES-TOWN, January 26.

The Ship *Vernon Galley*, of and from this Port for *London*, *Michael Pallister* Master, was lately drove ashore and lost near *Tyler*.

The *Swallow* Sloop, of and for *Rhode Island* from this Port, *Reseloed Waterman* Master, is put back here, having been blown off when within 3 Leagues of her desired Port, and has left her Bowsprit.

The Rev. Mr *Whitefield* since his Return from *Georgia*, has preach'd in this Town once every Day to very large Assemblies, and with his usual Zeal. Last Saturday Afternoon he set out to preach in the Country, and on Tuesday Afternoon he preaches again here.

The following Advertisement *is taken from a late English News-Paper.*

WHEREAS *CHARLES WHITAKER*, Gentleman, Steward to the Lord Bishop of *Durham*, departed this Life in *October* 1743, unmarried, and by his last Will and Testament in Writing, did give and devise all his Personal Estate to his only Brother *GEORGE WHITAKER*, then a Sailor, and whose Family was then settled on *Neuse-River* in *North Carolina* AND whereas the said *George Whitaker* hath not been heard of since that Time, nor any of his Family, altho' several Letters have been directed to him and them at their Habitation upon the *Neuse-River* aforesaid. THIS IS THEREFORE TO *GIVE NOTICE*, that the Presence of the said *George Whitaker* is absolutely necessary in the City of *Durham* aforesaid: And in Case he be dead, his Widow is hereby desired to repair immediately to *England* with her Family, to enter upon what they are entitled to under the Will of the said *Charles Whitaker*.

N B. If any Merchant in *Virginia* or *North Carolina*, or other Person whosoever, will communicate this Advertisement to *GEORGE WHITAKER* and his Family, as soon as possibly they can, it will be the greatest Act of Friendship and Charity to the whole Family, there being others who have a Claim after them.

CUSTOM HOUSE, *CHARLES-TOWN*,

Entered Inwards.

Ship Jenny, John Thomas, and
Schooner Endeavour, Arthur Gould, from the *Spanish* Coast.
Billander King George, John Colesharc,
Sloop Black Joak, Benjamin Lightbourn, and
Sloop Anne, William Vezie, from Barbados.
Brigt Kitty, John Jepson, from Bristol.
Sloop Mary, Nathaniel Dickinson, and
Sloop Tryton, William Milborne, from Bermuda.
Sloop Aurora, Thomas Kenyon, from Providence.
Sloop Mary, Thomas Vezey, from Rhode Island.

Entered Outwards.

Ship Fame, Thomas Thompson, for London.
Ship Parham Pink, Nathaniel Alloway, for Cowes.
Sloop Tryton, William Milborne,
Sloop Anne, William Vezey, and
Sloop Mary, Nathaniel Dickinson, for Barbados.
Sloop Black Joak, Benjamin Lightbourn, for Jamaica.
Sloop Mary, Thomas Avery, for Rhode Island.

Cleared for Departure.

Ship Prince Charles, George Giles, to Bristol.
Ship Elliott Galley, Archibald Liddel, and
Snow Tryton, Peter Gibbons, to London.
Snow Eleanor, Lovell Pennell,
Brigt Mary, Abraham Cornish, and
Brigt. Charming Polly, Alexander Smith, to Portugal.
Brigt. Nancy & Betsey, Joseph Hutchins, and
Sloop Success, Robert Waters, to St. Kitts.
Schooner Endeavour, Arthur Gould,
Schooner St. Joseph, Henry Richardson, and
Sloop Deborah, Samuel Green, to Providence.
Schooner Elizabeth, John Baddely, to Jamaica.
Schooner John & Elizabeth, Mathew Adams, and
Sloop Motley, Thomas Beadle, to Antigua.
Sloop Speedwell, John Rhodes, to Rhode Island.
Sloop Pelling, Samuel Appowin, to Barbados.
Sloop Medley, John Daubney, to Gibraltar.

EXPORTED from this Place, from the first of *November* last, the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province.

Rice, 14,715 Barrels. Pitch, 1434 Tar, 196. Turpentine, 565. Beef & Pork, 2908. Skins, 89 Hogsheads. Corn and Pease, 16,208 Bushels. Tann'd Leather, 1117 Sides.

Advertisements.

TO BE SOLD in *Charles-Town*, at Publick Vendue, on Wednesday the 4th of *February* next, Five Negro Men and seven Negro Women with their Children, lately belonging to Mr. *William Whitty*; several of the Men and Women are very valuable Slaves. The Conditions of the Sale is, six Months Credit, paying Interest, and giving such Security as shall be approv'd of by *Henry* & *Alexander Peronneau*.

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, at the Watch House in *Charles Town*, on Tuesday the 10th Day of *February* next, a Tract of Land and Buildings on *Edisto Island* (about 180 Acres) now or lately in the Possession of Mr. *William Whitty*. Paying the Law Charges down, Credit will be given for the Remainder one Year, with Interest and Security.

LAWRINS LOWNDES, Provost Marshal.

FOUND lately,

In *Charles Town*, some Pieces of Gold and Silver Coin. Whoever has lost the same, may have them again of the Printer hereof, first proving (by a satisfactory Description) that they are his or hers.

THIS is to give Notice to any Person or Persons whatsoever, who shall take up any Goods adrift, or out of the Wreck formerly the *Vernon Galley*, that they are hereby required to bring the same to the Court of Admiralty in *Charles-Town*, or to the Subscriber hereof, otherwise they will be proceeded against according to Law. *Michael Pallister.*

TO BE SOLD in *Dorchester* on Friday the 6th of *February* next, all the Estate of the late Mr. *Thomas Johnson*, of *Dorchester*, deceased, consisting of several Negroes, &c. The Terms of Payment to be published at the Sale. Those Persons who are indebted to the Estate, are desired to meet at the Sale in order to settle their Accompts, and those to whom the Estate is indebted are likewise desired to bring in their Accompts to *Luke Stoutenburgh*, and *Benjamin Stead*, Administrators.

TO BE SOLD at publick Outcry, under the *New Market* in *Charlestown*, on Thursday the 5th Day of *February* next, between the Hours of 10 and 12 in the Forenoon, *Four* Lots of Land, situate to the Eastward of the Church, between the Lands of the Hon. *Joseph Wragg* and *William Middleton*, Esqrs. each containing 43 Feet 3 Quarters front on a Street left by Consent, and 110 Feet deep. The Purchaser or Purchasers will be allowed 3 Months Credit, paying Interest, and giving Security if required by *Henry Middleton.*

TO BE LETT, the Plantation known by the Name of the *Camp*, about 9 Miles from *Charlestown*; it has a very convenient Dwelling House, Kitchen, Barn, &c. and is a good Plantation for Rice or Corn, and very good Pasture; all under proper Fence. Any Person inclining to rent the same may apply to *Henry Izard.*

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on Wednesday the 25th of *February* next, beginning at 9 o'Clock in the Forenoon, at the Plantation where Mr. *George Hamblin* deceased formerly lived, about three Miles from *Dorchester-Town*, a Tract of Land on *Wassamsaw* containing 800 Acres, belonging to the Estate of the said Deceased, and about Twenty Slaves, amongst which are two Coopers and several handy Boys and Girls, a stock of Cattle, Horses, and Hogs, Plantation Tools and sundry other Things. All Sums under 50 *l.* to be paid on the spot, and for Sums above 50 *l.* One Year's Credit will be given paying Interest, and giving such Security as shall be approved of by *John Glaze*, Executor.

Who desires all Persons indebted to the Estate of *Malachi Glaze* deceased, to discharge the same by the 25th Day of *February* aforementioned, or they will be sued without further Notice.

TO BE SOLD by the Subscriber, a Plantation on *Wampee Savannah*, containing 350 Acres, of which there is exceeding good Rice, Corn, and Indigo Land, all ready prepar'd for planting; there is on the said Plantation a good Set of Vats and other Conveniencies for making Indigo, a good Dwelling-house 30 Feet by 15, with several Out houses. A Year's Credit will be given, paying Interest, and giving Security if required by *Peter Cattell*, jun.

STOLEN or stray'd from *Charles-Town* in *December* last, a brown bay Mare about 14 Hands and an half high, branded on the mounting Shoulder with an Encircled as by a C or G, and on the mounting Buttock *WS* not very discernable, a small Star in her Forehead, black Main and Tail, and 4 black Feet; She was bred by the Hon. *John Fenwick*, Esq; and bought of the Rev. Mr *Samuel Quincy*. Whoever brings the said Mare, or can give an Account of her to the Subscriber so that he may get her again, shall have 40 *s.* Reward. *William Sanby.*

ON Wednesday the 11th of *February* next, to be dispos'd of at publick Sale under the Watch House, a parcel of Slaves belonging to the Estate of Mr. *James Dalton* deceased, by Order of the Executrix Mrs. *Catherine Dalton.*

BROUGHT to the WORK-House.

January 24th, 1745 7. *Jem*, a run away Negro Fellow, belonging to Mr. *Eagle* at *Cape Fear.*

Lately Published, and

To be sold by the Printer hereof.

BRITAIN's *Mercies*, and BRITAIN's *Duty*, Represented in

A *SERMON*, preach'd at the New-Building in *Philadelphia*, on Sunday the 24th of *August* last, by GEORGE WHITEFIELD, *A.B. Late of* Pembroke-College, Oxon.

Occasion'd by the Suppression of the late *Unnatural* REBELLION.

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on Wednesday the 25th Day of *February* next, at *New Town Cut* on *James Island*, the personal Estate of *Jonathan Evans* deceased, consisting of a choice parcel of Slaves, Horses, Cattle, Sheep, and Plantation Tools; also a Pettiaugua which will carry about Thirty five or Forty Barrels of Rice, a Canow Twenty seven Feet long, and a Ship's Yawl about Fifteen Feet long. All Sums under *Twenty Pounds* to be ready Money, and all Sums above to have a Twelve Month's Credit, paying Interest from the Day of Sale and giving good Security if required by

William Screven
James Screven } Executors,
Samuel Evans

Who desire all Persons that have any Demands on the said Estate to bring in their Accompts properly attested, and those indebted to it to discharge the same on or before the first Day of *March* next.

TO BE SOLD for ready Money or Credit, the Plantation whereon I now live, situate on *Ashley-River*, about five Miles from *Charles Town*, and containing about 450 Acres of Land, bounding to the South on Mrs. *Elizabeth Hill's*, and to the North on Mr. *William Branford's* Land, and fronting on a bold Creek with a Landing to the Door: The said Plantation abounds with variety of best Fruit Trees, such as Pears, Apples, Quinces, Peaches, &c. and has a good Dwelling house, Barn, and Out Houses thereon; all the clear'd Ground under good Fence, and about Twenty five Acres of choice Land all ready for Indigo, with Three Sets of good Brick Vats, and other necessary Conveniencies for the same. Whoever has a mind to be a Purchaser may treat with me on the said Plantation. *Andrew De Veaux.*

TO BE SOLD at *Dorchester*, on the second Wednesday in *February* next, the Plantation whereon Doctor *Brown* now lives at *Goose Creek*, formerly belonging to the late Col. *Benjamin Waring* deceased, containing 775 Acres of Land, part whereof is very good for Corn and Indigo, and same for Rice, very convenient for damming; there is on the said Plantation a parcel of choice Timber for sawing, about 3 Miles from a Landing, a large two Story painted House with Cellars, and good Out Houses, also a very good Orchard and Garden. Credit will be given 'till *January* next, paying Interest, and giving such Security as shall be approved by *Joseph Waring.*

TO BE SOLD, a Tract of Land situate in the Parish of *Prince George Winyaw*, upon a Swamp known by the Name of *Muddy Gully*, butting and bounding on all Sides (when laid out) on vacant Lands. Whoever has a mind to purchase the same, may treat with *John Combe* at *Orange-Quarters.*

JUST IMPORTED in the *Kitty* Brigantine, Capt. *Jepson* from *Bristol*, white, blue and green plains, strip'd duffils, bed blankets, *Irish* Linens, Loaf Sugar, whip, cross cut and hand saws, coopers tools, broad and narrow hoes, axes, nails, &c. to be sold on very reasonable Terms by the Subscribers at their Store in *Broad street.*

MORTON & SAMUEL BRAILSFORD

TO BE SOLD by *John Lining* in *Broad-street*, Orange, Annised, Clove, Lime and Anise Waters at 40 *s. per* Gallon, Lemon Water at 3 *l.* Cinamon Water at 5 *l.* Citron Water at 6 *l.* fine Usquebaugh at 8 *l.* and Spirits of Wine at 3 *l.* 10 *s. per* Gallon, Bitters at 40 *s. per* Quart.

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on Thursday the 5th of *March* next, for ready Money, at *Pompey*, all the personal Estate of *William Singleton* by *Robert Godfrey*, Administrator.